

## BUTTE ROUTED AT ALL POINTS

First Day on the Links Disastrous  
For Montana Golfers.

EVERY MAN IS DEFEATED

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SURPRISES SPRUNG ON THE VIS-

Results in the first 18-hole round of the Butte-Salt Lake golf tournament:

Thompson won from Green, 6 up.  
McGurrin won from Hodgens, 10 up.  
Copp won from Richards, 4 up.  
Harkness won from Arthur, 6 up.  
Hale won from McCrimmon, 2 up.  
Wicks won from Palmer, 7 up.  
Holman won from Holbrook, 3 up.

Finals of 18 holes will complete the tournament today, play to begin at 3 p. m.

If you heard a deep, gentle murmur as of a babbling brook or rustling winds in the pines or any other soothing sound, yesterday afternoon late, it was probably an echo of the

The night before a cave of gloom would have been the result of the Salt Lake team's emotions. They had seen the men from the north play rings all 'round the best of the Salt Lake team, and they had seen a cancelled postage stamp that the Leyson cup would stay in Silver Bow county.

When the first half of eighteen holes was finished yesterday afternoon, the Saltin boys and their friends were making a bet and in every case the margin of safety for Salt Lake was comfortable. The handicap against the Leyson boys was ten strokes, and on the final round today even by brilliant play throughout, and the prospects for a Salt Lake victory were slim. Upset reversals of form are not uncommon in the Scotch game and a Butte victory is still possible, though not probable.

Several of the matches furnished surprises almost as startling as the first. In the first, the experienced pro held Richards to a close score, but no one supposed for a moment that he could come in on the first nine holes. Richards took a brace, but Copp played another forty round and made his day's work four holes better than the second round of 80, medal play. Copp's style of play may be gathered from the fact that he had eight fours, four fives, two sixes and one seven in the eighteen holes—a remarkably consistent series, though, curiously enough, his sixes were on the last hole of the day.

Interest has centered in this particular match because it was pretty well the only one in which the former champion Copp out of the game with Richards, and the former Salt Lake champion acknowledged that he was not in the game when play began. While the four handicap is strong for the final eighteen holes, Richards has had plenty of time to study the course. Copp in the last nine holes yesterday showed that he meant to play the match out to the last stroke.

The best medal score of the day was made by Harkness, who had been in the dressage class, and who had won the local team counted on him to put a link in Arthur. Harkness played a 40-39, beating boyce by one up on the eighteen. His play was not a very good one, but a man can play over as sporty a course as the local links and wind up with twelve fours, five fives and one six to show for his play. It is not an extraordinary amateur; and the funny thing about it is the fact that the Butte team rated Harkness as fifth man on the Salt Lake list. He is a very good, but not a game player with a Scotch burn, delightful to hear, and he bobbed up after the match apparently undismayed and betting boyce. He is a very good player for the club that he had close to the match with one up to his credit.

**Case of McGurrin vs. Hodgens.**

Another upset came in the Hodgens-McGurrin match. McGurrin started off

pretty well for a sick man, though it was evident his knees were a little

wobbly and he wasn't as steady on his putting as he usually is. Going up to the second hole, he tangled himself up for seven and the gallery thought Hodgens had him going. Right about there

"Mac" set his teeth and came down the stretch with fours and fives and a three until he hit the last hole with a six.

on the second round he was still carrying a full head of steam and when he holed out in four at the last green, for the round of nine and 80 for eighteen, he had his man pretty well snowed under in spite of the hot weather. Unless something extraordinary happens McGurrin has his match won right now in spite of the Butte captain's good nerve and eye.

though it was supposed Green would hold the Salt Laker to a closer score than the cards show. Thompson and McGurrin were the only players who showed how to play a nine-hole round, both making a 38, but Thompson's includes one estimate on a pick-up at the sixth where he got into the gulch at the edge of the hole. In the second a foregone conclusion that Thompson has his man safe, even allowing for the brace Green is likely to take on the second day's play.

**Wicks Makes Strong Finish.**

Palmer started out with indications of victory as the first five holes gave him a lead of three strokes over the boys. Wicks came to himself and began to play as was never in danger. His play on the second round showed Wicks in a deadly form that promised well to-day.

In the Holbrook-Holman match, the Butte player made the first round with

**Salt Lake Ought to Win.**